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Intimations.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the SEVENTEENTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Shareholders of the above Company will be held at the Boardroom of the Company, 35 and 40 Queen's Road Central, on FRIDAY, the 27th day of December, 1901, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors, and for the election of Directors for the year ending 30th November, 1901.

The Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 20th to 26th Instant, both days inclusive.

JOHN D. DUMPHREYS & SON,
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Hongkong, December 14, 1901. 2545

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Hongkong, December 16, 1901. 2562

NOTICE.

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Hongkong, August 2, 1901. 1607

NOTICE.

FROM this date, Mr. HO YUK LAU is no longer in my employ as Comptroller. I am not responsible for any Comptroller's entries by him on my behalf. Misses LAU KUK CHAU and IP LAM CHUEN have this day been appointed COMPTROLLER to my Firm, and are responsible for all future dealings.

A. M. ESSAHOY.

Hongkong, December 17, 1901. 2574

NOTICE.

WE have this day been appointed SOLE AGENTS for the well-known CIGAR FACTORY "LA OCEANICA" of MANILA, P.I. Cigars of Cuban Style. All Orders shall have our careful attention. Price List may be had on application to

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FRED. C. FOCKEN,
General Agent
Manila,
P.O. Box 374,
Hongkong, August 31, 1901. 1828

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the Firm of JAMES WHITFIELD & Co. known in China by the name of TONG CHONG, has changed hands. All DEBTORS and CREDITORS of the firm are requested to Communicate with the UNDERSIGNED as soon as possible, in order that there may be a proper Settlement of their Accounts.

J. MACGOWAN,
Executor of the Estate of the late
James Whitfield.

Amoy, December 12, 1901. 2543



NOTICE.

DURING the operations for raising the a.s. Siamrat there will be obstructions between the ship and the shore and launches and junks are warned not to attempt to pass.

R. MURRAY RUMSEY,
R. Com. R.N.,
Harbour Masters, &c.

Harbour Department,
Hongkong, December 16, 1901. 2558



NOTICE.

DURING REPAIRS to One of the WELLS, a full Supply of Water to the Kowloon Peninsula cannot be maintained. WATER will, however, be TURNED ON from about 6 A.M. till Noon.

It is anticipated that the Repairs will be completed and the Full Supply resumed within a few days.

The Districts of Mongkok and Yau-mat are not included in the above Notice, as they are supplied from a separate source.

W. CHATHAM,
Water Authority.

Hongkong, December 13, 1901. 2541

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Due notice will be given when it is replaced in position.

G. A. FORSAITH,
HARBOR MASTER.

Approved: JAMES ACHESON,
Acting Commissioner of Customs.

Custom House,
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date subject to rent.

MEMOS. FOR MONDAY.
Auctions.
11 a.m.—Auction of Steam Launch *Hoi*
Ping at Causeway Bay.
2.30 p.m.—Auction of Japanese Porcelains,
etc., at Mr. Geo. P. Lamert's
Sales Rooms.

Meeting.
4 p.m.—Meeting of the Subscribers and
Shareholders for the City Hall at the
City Hall.

Miscellaneous.
Goods per *Julia* undelivered after Noon
this date subject to rent.

General Memoranda.
TUESDAY, December 24—
Noon.—Auction of Ladies' and Gentle-
men's Bicycles, at Messrs Hughes and
Hough's Sales Rooms.
Goods per *Maria Valerie* undelivered
after this date subject to rent.
Goods per *Palling* not cleared at Noon
on this date subject to rent.

WEDNESDAY, December 25—
Local Banks close.
Insurance Offices close.

THURSDAY, December 26—
Insurance Offices close.
Local Banks close.

FRIDAY, December 27—
Noon.—Meeting of Shareholders of The
Hongkong High Level Tramways Co.,
Ltd., at the Company's Offices.

SATURDAY, December 28—
Goods per *Benigal* not cleared at 4 p.m.
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BIRTHS.

On the 15th December, at Pootung, the
Wife of A. BRAMMER, L.M. Customs, of a
Son.

On the 15th December, at Shanghai,
the Wife of H. BAKER, of a Daughter.
On the 16th December, at 70, Bubbling
Well Road, Shanghai, the Wife of J.
TOMES, of a Son.

The publication of this issue commenced
at 5.00 p.m.

The China Mail.

HONGKONG, SATURDAY, DECEMBER 21, 1901.

There is a powerful force at work to-
day in China, which is imperceptibly
undermining the conservatism of the
Chinese, and every year becoming more
powerful. It is comparatively overlooked
by most Europeans and absolutely un-
known to some. Nevertheless, it is
beginning to make its influence felt,
and, in the near future, will most
powerfully affect the destinies of the
people, and turn the current of their
thoughts and ambitions into new chan-
nels. We refer to the Native Press of
China. It would not perhaps become
us to amplify on the 'Power of the
Press.' Max O'Rell has said that most
people read their daily paper, and then
conclude by remarking 'There's nothing
in it as usual.' Yet all reasonable men
must have their paper, and well-in-
formed men must see at least two. The
daily journal is an innovation in China.
The idea was implanted from the West.
Yet, as everybody knows, the Chinese
Government has published, daily, for
about a thousand years, an official
Gazette. It is true that it is strictly
official, its contents selected. It con-
tains little that is of interest to the
general public. It is strange that the
liberal in the great commercial and
literary centres have never imitated
this. Perhaps they knew that such a
sacrilegious attempt would not be tol-
erated, and therefore no one was found
willing to risk his neck by making the
attempt. Moreover, whilst movable
types were as yet unknown to the
masses of the people, such an under-
taking was comparatively impossible.
With the advent of the foreigner and
his ways, came, of course, the daily
newspaper, whereupon immediately the
mimetic Chinese saw that it was pos-
sible both to earn money and at the
same time to gratify the people by fol-
lowing the lead of the foreigner, and so
companies were formed for this purpose.
To-day, the Native Press of the Chinese
is as much a part of their life, and, to
many of them, is as essential as the
steam launch to business men in Hong-
kong.

In this, as in some other matters,
Shanghai is in advance of Hongkong.
There are, at present, published in the
great emporium of China, six Dailies, of
the ordinary type, and in addition
thereto also six 'Amusement Papers.'
Next to these come those which are
published every ten days, and of these
there are six. There are four distinctly
Christian Papers, of which the *Review*
of the *Times*, edited by Mr Timothy
Richard, has a large circulation through-
out the Eighteen Provinces, and is
justly prized both for the character and
the accuracy of its information. In
Hongkong, by a certain class of readers,
there is no paper more eagerly looked
for, and more greedily devoured, than
this Monthly. The Papers which have
foreign editors discuss political, social
and moral questions in a fearless and
liberal spirit. The *Review of the Times*
is largely political, and the information
contained therein is perhaps the most
reliable circulated in China. Its out-
look is wide. Progress is its watch-
word. 'Accept the new order of things
and discard the old.' This is the bur-
den of its message. The *Missionary*
Review is what its name implies, and
though it contains much general infor-
mation that is well up-to-date, its main
object is to inform Chinese readers of
the progress of the new religion, and to
explain the foundation principles of the
new faith. Some of these newspapers,
whose editors are Chinese, devote them-
selves entirely to the discussion of
scientific and literary subjects, in the
van of which is the *Universal Educator*.
Their programme is somewhat ambi-
tious, but they impart a good deal of
information on these subjects to their
readers. It is to be regretted that the
'Amusement Papers' are devoted largely
to the gratification of those who
revel in moral corruption and impure
descriptions. It has been estimated
that in Shanghai alone a single issue of
all these combined will amount to about
45,000, and as it is usual in China for
several persons to unite, or for the

twenty or more hands of a shop to join,
there cannot be less than 500,000 read-
ers who are being informed on topics
of which otherwise they would be in
utter ignorance. Further, it must not
be forgotten that the larger number of
these readers are the official, the com-
mercial and the literary classes, who
are in every sense of the word the
leaders of the people, and the guides to
their thought.

But though we have chosen the
Native Press of Shanghai as our text,
so to speak, it must not be forgotten
that a native Press is not confined to
that port. In most of the Treaty Ports
of China, one or more newspapers
is published, and editors eagerly
compete for well-written articles on cur-
rent topics. Nor are their readers con-
fined to the town where any particular
paper is published. For instance, a
large number of the papers printed in
Hongkong, are subscribed for by read-
ers on the Mainland, and many of
these papers go far inland throughout
the Province of Kwangtung even to
the borders of the Muilang range of
mountains. Copies of the Chinese
edition of the *China Mail*, are read
from Calcutta and Rangoon to Manila,
Japan and North China, wherever the
commercial Chinese have penetrated,
and it has readers in all the Southern
Provinces and among the Chinese
emigrants in America and Australia.
It is difficult, if not impossible, to
prevent new ideas from working out
their own destinies in the minds of those
who have imbibed them. Like leaven
in the meal and seed in the soil, ideas
and ideals, in the minds of the thought-
ful, will germinate and bear fruit.
This fact is clearly recognised, and
therefore all hierarchies and oligarchies,
whether ecclesiastical or political, who
have dreaded the influx of the new know-
ledge, have always exerted themselves
to exclude unwelcome ideas and sup-
press free discussion. But once the
idea is implanted in the mind of the
man it may be left. Heine, in one of
his poems, banters the then German
authorities because they tried to ex-
clude his ideas from the Fatherland.
He said that his thoughts were already
in the minds of his countrymen, who
had met him and read his books outside
Germany, and no exile officer could
treat them as contraband matter. To-
day, Chinese newspapers are the means
of the transmission of ideas. Of few it
can be said 'ideas often flash across our
mind, more complete than we can make
them with much labour.' Most of us
receive them from the few, and pass
them on, and the constant transmission
of ideas, like the constant flow of
water, tends to clarify the mind. Of
course, it is true, as Emerson said,
'Ideas must work through the brains and
arms of good and brave men, or they
are no better than dreams.' But action
will and must come later, and no one
can stop its advance. To-day, myriads
of facts and ideas are penetrating the
minds of the Chinese. There are facts
of science, of political economy, of
social progress, &c., which cannot be
ignored or refuted. There are ideas
about education, social progress, &c.,
which must, in the very nature of
things, attract the attention of thought-
ful men, and to study these things is to
accept them either overtly or covertly.
The Native Press is pouring these ideas
into China, and they will germinate
whatever men may say, and in spite of
all that jealous minds may do to prevent
it.

Registering Chinese at Bangkok.

The case against Mr R. A. Hendrick,
interpreter and bailiff at H. B. M. Con-
sulate, Bangkok, for theft of a birth certi-
cate, was resumed on the 6th inst., in the
British Court before Mr W. J. Archer and
a jury composed of Messrs. C. Thorne
(foreman), J. P. Gandy, C. Norman, Ong
Keng Tong and A. W. Trivett. Mr
Tillock prosecuted, and Messrs Naylor
and Skinner defended. This is the case in which
a birth certificate obtained from the Reg-
istrar General in Hongkong was said to
have been sold to a Chinaman in order to
allow him to get registration in Bangkok as
a British subject. The jury returned a
verdict of not guilty, saying they wished to
give accused the doubt that was in their
minds.

The quality and quantity of an infant's
food is often seriously affected by the state
of its mother's health who nurses it.

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increases the flow of milk, makes it rich
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any kind are solicited to give it a trial to test its
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effected by it. Sold everywhere at 2s. 6d. per
bottle. Beware of worthless imitations and sub-
stitutes.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Notes by the Way.

The Sanitary Board meets on Monday
next at 4.15 p.m.

Dr G. E. Morrison, *The Times* Peking
correspondent, arrived at Bangkok on the
3rd inst.

In ironic mood, *Le Courier d'Haiphong*
writes of the little railway from Hanoi to
the Tonkin frontier as 'L'Extreme-Orient-
Express.'

The Chinese Court is making a round
of visits, and the cost of entertaining has
bankrupted all the hosts thus far honored.
Under the circumstances (says an American
exchange) it must be pretty hard to wel-
come the Emperor.

One of the principal ricksha owners at
Singapore has been banished for three
years for the share he took in the recent
ricksha pullers' strike against the govern-
ment measures for the better regulation of
the street traffic.

For twenty minutes' work, Jeffries, the
pugilist, got about \$14,000 (gold) and Rub-
lin, his opponent, about \$5,000. Of course,
in this calculation no account is taken of the
preliminary cost of training and the ex-
penses of the hangers-on to the average
pugilist.

At Honolulu, the commercial firms
are advocating improvements in the con-
struction of wharves to prevent rats lodg-
ing there and to allow of fumigation. The
Hawaiian Gazette says no money should be
spared to prevent plague and the closing
of other ports against vessels calling at
Honolulu.

Rugby Football.

There will be a Rugby football match
on Monday afternoon, kick-off at 4 p.m.,
Hongkong F.C. v. H.M.S. *Blenheim*. The
following will represent the Club:—Back,
Gray; three-quarters, Robertson, Smyth,
Beattie and Hanson; half-backs, Jordan
and Knox; forwards, Hallifax, Mulford,
Clark, Wolfe, Craik, Johnson, McMurtrie
(captain), and another. Referee—Capt.
Waymouth, R.A.

The Foochow Champion Stakes

The following descriptions of the race for
the Foochow Champions is taken from the
Echo:—

The Champion Stakes.—Of \$10 each
with \$100 added. A forced entry for and
open only to winners at this Meeting.
optional for the winners of the Hacks, Man-
cho Stakes and Consolation Cup. Winners
of two races at the Meeting \$15 extra, of
more than two races \$40 extra. Weights
as per scale. One mile and a quarter.

Names and Colors. 1st. Merri-
legs. 2nd. Persian Rose. 3rd. Zhan.
4th. Blueberry. 5th. Nasor. 6th.
Oswald. 7th. Sirius. 8th. Nasor. 9th.
Tish. 10th. Nasor. 11th. Webster. 12th.
Maclean. 13th. Nasor. 14th. Nasor. 15th.
Nasor. 16th. Nasor. 17th. Nasor. 18th.
Nasor. 19th. Nasor. 20th. Nasor.

Six ponies went to the post. The diffi-
culty and delay in starting them was some-
what trying. There were three false starts.
When at length the flag fell, Blueberry at
the rails got off well and made the
running. Sirius was the last to get under
way, but quickly caught the field.
At the mile post they were practically all
together. Blueberry still leading. As they
passed the Stand, Blueberry was still show-
ing them the way, with Merrilegs and
Sirius handy, and the others fairly well up,
and as they travelled to the mile post.
Here important changes took place.
Merrilegs and Persian Rose raced forward
and passed both Blueberry and Sirius, and
after this there was no further excitement
to the winning post. Merrilegs won easily
by many lengths. Time—2.45.

The Burned 'Chungking.'

The *N.C. Daily News* of the 13th inst.
says:—An inspection of the C.N.S. *Chung-
king*, as she now lies moored in the river,
shows that the reports of the fire and of her
condition which have been previously received
from the North were in the main correct,
but the fact that she made the passage from
Chefoo to Shanghai, under her own steam,
in just over forty hours, proves that her
condition was not quite so bad as we were
led to believe. It seems that the fire
originated among the cargo stored in the
'tween decks amidships and quickly got a
good hold upon the woodwork. There was
fortunately very little cargo aboard, and
the first course taken was to play on to the
fire aft, from above, to keep it from
spreading to the coal bunkers. When all
danger in this quarter was averted, the
cable was checked and the ship turned so
that the wind would keep the flames from
forward of the engine room and bunkers.
Assistance was rendered by the other
steamers in harbour, and streams were laid
on through the ports and from above, but
nothing could save the fore part of the
vessel. Chart room, captain's cabin,
saloon, and passengers' cabins were quickly
abandoned, and when at last the fire was
under control was left but the steel frame-
work, the deck plates all crumpled and the
stanchions bent into grotesque shapes.
Fortunately, coal bunkers, engines, boilers,
and all the after part of the ship remained
intact, and it was found that, given fair
weather, it would be possible to steam to
Shanghai. The forward steam and hand
steering gear was gone, but steering gear
was connected aft. The men at the wheel
could not, of course, see forward, but the
weather was good and the passage was made
without mishap, the greatest difficulty being
experienced in leaving Chefoo harbour and
again in entering the river at Shanghai.
At these times the captain had to take a
point of vantage on the top of a skylight,
from where he shouted out his directions to
the engineers and to the men at the wheel.
The *Chungking* was escorted for the first
part of the voyage, but it was soon seen
that she was proceeding without difficulty,
and having the hook of her consort, she
made the rest of the voyage alone, reaching
Shanghai in the time above stated.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

A Christmas Present.

Messrs W. Powell, Limited, announce
that an interim dividend of fifty cents per
share (5 per cent) will be paid on the 6th
of January—a most satisfactory Christmas
present for shareholders. This will be the
first company dividend of 1902.

Hongkong Christian Union.

The usual weekly prayer meeting will
be held on Monday evening, at 5.15, in the
Union Church Hall, Captain Benson,
A. P. D., will preside. Will the members
of the Committee kindly make a point of
being present?

Music at Hongkong Hotel.

By kind permission of Lieut.-Col.
Baillie and Officers, the Band of the 22nd
Bombay Infantry will play at the Hongkong
Hotel this (Saturday) evening from 8
p.m. to 9.30 p.m.:

Selection.....Reminiscences
Valse.....Les Sirenes, Winterbottom.
Polo.....Stephanie.....Fahrbach
Song.....Aida Mine.....Newton
Cadenans.....Scotch.....Bosido
Selection.....Little Christo-
pher Columbus.....Caryl.
Gop Save the King

Telegraph Rates.

Those who still groan under the exor-
bitant charge made for telegraphic messages
to Europe will be interested in knowing
(says the *N.C. Daily News*) that the tariff
charged by the Russian lines from Vladivostok
to London is equivalent to 59 dollar
cents a word; that messages wired to an
agent at St. Petersburg and re-telegraphed
by him to London only cost 25 cents a word;
and that messages sent to St. Petersburg by
wire and there posted to London, which
means a delay of three days, only cost ten
cents a word. As thirty cents a word would
probably amply repay the Great Northern
Telegraph Co. for the use of the short cable
between Shanghai and Vladivostok, it will
be seen what an enormous sum is annually
extorted from those who use the telegraph
in their communication with Europe.

Wang Wen-shao.

The Peking correspondent of the *N.C.
Daily News* wrote on the 9th inst.:—The
Grand Secretary and Cabinet Minister
Wang Wen-shao, arrived yesterday after-
noon. He has been absent one year and
nearly four months. He is the first of the
late Ministers of State to return to Peking
after loyal adherence to the Empress Dow-
ager. He was received with as much hon-
our as Prince Ching. All the leading
officials were in attendance at the station.
The honour was rendered to him, not so
much as Cabinet Minister as being now
Plenipotentiary. He wore his Yellow
Jacket, which was bestowed on him by the
Emperor a short time since. He is the
only official left from the old days, when
Prince Kung was in power and before
Prince Ching had come to the front. He
is *persona grata* with the foreign Ministers,
though regarded as less powerful than the
late Marquis Li. It is remarkable that he,
in his old age, and with a feeling of opposi-
tion to the war of last year, should have
dared or cared to follow the Court in its
hurry to fight, and to associate with the
reactionaries like Prince Tuan, General
Tung Fu-shing, Duke Lan, and Cabinet
Minister Kang Yi. With his head still on,
he shows a peculiar facility to please both
sides. He may be classed with the gen-
eral of his country, rather than those of
strong will.

Marshal Sou's Transfer.

In announcing the transfer of Marshal
Sou from the military command on the
Franco-Chinese frontier to Hupeh we dub-
bed him 'the good friend' of France. We
noticed that *Le Courier d'Haiphong* takes
exception to the phrase; but admits that
Sou's friendship was purchased by the sum
of \$30,000 paid him by M. Doumer, who
also flattered him and otherwise used 'di-
plomatic dodges' (sometimes called graces)
to ensure his assistance in keeping the
frontier free of catarans of the Rob Roy
type. Our contemporary is quite at liberty
to select its own phrases. Our French
neighbours have paid their money, and are,
therefore, quite entitled to dub Sou what-
ever they like. But, like our French friend
of Haiphong, we can re-echo the sentiment
that 'The departure of Marshal Sou ren-
ders problematic the efficacy of the Indo-
Chinese dollars.' In our opinion, it is
good money thrown away. As the *Courier*
says, his successor has a precedent for
demanding the same favour, and there is
absolutely no guarantee that the Commis-
sioner of the frontier forces may not be
changed every six months. It is a post
that will be greatly sought after by Chinese
military mandarins, and one that may cost
France (perhaps we should say Indo-China
in this instance) a great deal of money.
M. Doumer goes away soon, and leaves his
successor at an undesirable legacy. If officers
are to be paid on both sides of the frontier
—French and Chinese—for keeping the
peace, it is going to be a costly thing for
France, akin to burning the proverbial
candle at both ends. The prospect is far
from pleasant.

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of worthless imitations and substitutes.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Chess.

'Black Bishop's' Chess Column will
appear in Monday's issue.

Coal in Sumatra.

The Government is working coal mines
at Ombilin in West Sumatra. The report
on the mines for 1900 which has just been
published shows that the output is steadily
on the increase and reached 300,000 Dutch
tons last year.

Terrible Accident in Java.

A fearful accident is reported from the
district of Kandal in Java, where the Dutch
Petroleum Company is boring an oil well.
One of the bores had reached a depth of
1,100 feet when suddenly an enormous jet
of petroleum shot out, and caught fire.
Five Javanese perished miserably in the
flames.

The Bank Case at Singapore.

Evidence was taken on the 11th inst.
in the case at Singapore in which several
police officers are charged with assaulting
prisoners in order to extort confessions
with regard to the recent theft of notes
from the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank.
The charges against Messrs Keddie and
Hughes, of the Bank, and Inspector Perrett
were withdrawn.

Engineers in U.S. Transports.

The *San Francisco Bulletin* of the
16th ult. says:—Some changes that have
recently taken place in the transport ser-
vice have excited a good deal of com-
ment. It became known to-day that the
resignations of two of the engineers con-
nected with the service were caused by a
reduction in the number of employees in the
engine rooms of the steamers below the
number considered necessary. Half a
dozen men were recently taken from the
Meade, and an equal number from the
Grant. In the opinion of Chief Engineer
O'Connell of the *Meade* this reduction in the
working force was unwarranted, and rendered
it probable that efficient work could not
be done when the vessel reached the
tropics. He therefore resigned his position.
Chief Engineer Kolb was taken from
another transport and transferred to the
Meade, but, upon learning of the conditions,
refused to take the place. The position
was filled at the last moment by the ap-
pointment of Chief Engineer McMullin,
who has held a similar place on the
steamer *City of Paris*. Mr Berg, who
was first assistant engineer on the *Sher-
man*, was taken from the latter ship and
given the position of first assistant on
the *Meade* before she sailed to-day. In
the opinion of many well-informed in such
matters, the reduction in the force of engi-
neers on the transports was a mistake. In
addition to the ordinary work that attaches
to the engineer's department on a steamer,
the transports' auxiliaries, such as electric
lights and refrigerating plants, require
a number of skilled hands. Those who
criticize the recent changes declare that if
it were necessary to reduce the number of
employees on the transports it would have
been much safer and more practicable to
remove some of the deck hands.

Sad Accident at Wuchang.

A Wuchang dispatch reports an ex-
tremely sad accident on the 10th inst.,
ending fatally, to the eldest grandson of
H. E. Viceroy Chang Chih-tung, Mr Chang
Hou-kun. Mr Chang (says the *N.C. Daily*
News), was a very bright and clever young
man who was within a year of attaining his
majority when he died. He was one of
the dozen or so military and civil officers
sent about a month ago to Japan by
Viceroy Chang to represent the Hupeh
provincial government at the army ma-
neuvres in that country, and on the day
of his death had just arrived at Wuchang
from Japan with the rest of the party.
Ponies were sent from the Viceroy's
yamen to the jetty to convey the late Mr
Chang and his younger brother (who had
also been to Japan) to their grandfather's
yamen, as the young men were fond of
riding. The animal ridden by Mr Chang
was an especially vicious and fiery brute,
with the result that it began to rear and
kick about the public thoroughfares, as the
young men rode on, to the danger of
people walking in the vicinity. Not wish-
ing to hurt any one Mr Chang tried
to shorten his reins, which at once caused
the brute to make a dash forward, at full
gallop. Unable to hold the horse in,
its rider allowed the animal to go on, at the
same time guiding it towards the yamen.
Unfortunately just as the brute was making
for the western entrance of the Viceroy's
yamen it collided with a ricksha or some
sort of conveyance and immediately both
horse and rider fell. The

TELEGRAMS.

[REUTERS SERVICE.]

SOUTH AFRICA.

LONDON, 20th December, 1901.

The Johannesburg Stock Exchange has been opened.

The Delagoa Bay railway has been opened to civil traffic.

AMERICA AND CHINESE TEAS.

The Washington correspondent of the Morning Post states that the United States Administration will probably ask Congress to repeal the duty on Chinese teas.

ABORTIVE PRO-BOER MEETING AT BIRMINGHAM.

Mr David Lloyd George, Liberal Member for Carnarvon, was compelled to abandon his announced speech at a pro-Boer meeting which it was intended to hold at the Birmingham Town Hall. The immense crowd which had collected broke all the windows in the building, and, in the charge of police which followed, many persons were injured. Mr Lloyd George escaped disguised as a policeman.

THE NEW AUSTRALIAN CUSTOMS LAW.

Captain of German Steamer Committed to Prison.

The Captain of the Norddeutscher Lloyd Steamer Necker has been fined £25 at Fremantle for contravening the new Customs law by breaking, while voyaging between Australian ports, seals placed upon ship's stores by the Customs officials. The fine not having been paid, he has been committed to prison until payment is made.

REINFORCEMENTS FOR SOUTH AFRICA.

Two thousand Mponony have been ordered to be raised immediately and despatched to the Cape during January and February next.

Six more Militia battalions have been enabled.

THE CHINESE COURT.

YENHSINMEN, HONK, December 16.

Their Majesties arrived from Hainan yesterday afternoon (15th) at 5.30 o'clock, precisely, and remained here overnight. This morning there was heavy fog, and at 10 o'clock a gale arose which towards night was not yet ceased. The cold is severe; similar to the weather experienced on the 13th—the day before the departure from K'ai-feng. Yesterday's (16th) weather, however, was quite clear and mild, which was most fortunate for their Majesties' comfort.

THE ENGINEERS' DANCE.

The members of the Institution of Engineers and Shipbuilders of Hongkong gave a highly successful dance last night in the City Hall. Close upon 400 invitations were issued, and notwithstanding the inclemency of the weather, very few remained away, and none regretted their presence. The hall was beautifully decorated for the occasion, the handsome staircase being specially treated in this respect with a profusion of greenery and flowers. On the first landing was displayed the emblem of the Institution worked out in a rich glow of varicoloured electric lights. The dancing took place in St George's Hall and half of St Andrew's Hall, and the doors having been specially prepared, the trippers of the light fantastic toe were in revels of delight. Admirable music was furnished by the band of the 22nd Bombay Infantry, and nothing was left undone by the hosts of the evening to assure the comfort and enjoyment of their guests. The remaining half of St Andrew's Hall was set apart as a refreshment buffet, and a right royal table was maintained here throughout the evening. The programme consisted of fifteen dances, and came to a close about two o'clock in the morning. The Committee fall to be congratulated on the successful issue to their labours. Mr J. F. Miller, the Hon. Secretary, and Mr H. R. Bridger, Chairman of the Committee, worked especially hard to obtain this result, and deserve the thanks of all who were present. The others worthy of mention are:—evening—Messrs. A. Bain and J. W. Kingdon (Vice-presidents), Mr D. Gillies and Captain A. Tillet (hon. members), Messrs W. C. Jack, E. C. Wilks, J. MacDonald, E. O. Murphy, and D. McDonald (members of Council), Messrs J. B. Muir, A. C. Ewing, T. Danks, F. J. Price, J. Logan, J. I. Andrews, G. J. B. Sayer, J. Lambert, R. W. Dale, A. Ritchie, W. G. Winterburn, W. M. Evers (Hon. Treasurer), T. W. Robertson (Hon. Librarian), and M. Collins (Manager). Messrs A. Bain, E. O. Murphy, and J. Lambert very efficiently performed the duties of masters of ceremonies.

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STRIKE AT SINGAPORE.

Marine Officers Demand Increase of Pay.

A telegram was received here yesterday afternoon announcing that the marine officers—masters and mates—sailing out of Singapore have struck work for a higher rate of pay. We believe the officers are using their influence at the various ports in China and India to prevent the ship-owners from obtaining marine officers to fill their places. The scale of pay in the Straits is considerably below the rate in force on the China Coast, and, we believe, previous attempts were made, unsuccessfully, to get the China Coast rates in the Straits.

TRAINING NOTES.

The words of that comic song "Toboggan" and down like this" seem very appropriate to anyone who has watched the training this past week; in fact, some of the riders remind one of a timid lady taking a dip in the sea. They bob up and down and grip the reins as if they were lifelines instead of aids to the animal. One would be jockey, who weighs probably anything from 13 to 12 stone, rides in a 14lb saddle, sits on that saddle like a sack of flour, and works both arms and legs like a windmill, was heard to complain that his pony could not gallop. "What do they expect?"

Now to cut the cockle and get to the horses. I think that Mr Lee's "Black Rock," a singularly good-looking animal, is thought a good deal of in certain quarters, and that he has already been named for "the Blue Ribbon" event.

Mr G. H. Potts' "Kismet" met with a slight sprain a few days ago, but it is nothing serious and he will probably be at work in a few days. His other three griffins are going remarkably well, and went through the "dirt" this morning as if it were hard ground.

Mr Kadourie should feel gratified at the way his two are improving, and I hope to see the black mare push her nose in front when she is asked to do so.

Mr Master's animals have not been out for the last two or three days, and I find on enquiry that they have nearly all been laid up with one of those illnesses peculiar to horses out here, which leaves them very weak.

I have already decided to look for my winners among the "Jardine" string, as all their lot are doing so well and are quite the strongest on the course.

Readers are recommended to keep an eye on Mr Pontifex's little mare. A man who knows a thing or two about horses remarks that he knows a thing or two about horses, and I don't know whether Pontifex knows it, but he has one of the best on the course.

When the last year's griffins came out to race I shall recommend my readers not to forget how well "Favourite Rose" ran during the summer, and he is going very strong just now.

EQUINUS.

HONGKONG SHARE MARKET.

In their weekly share report, dated 29th December, Messrs Benjamin, Kelly and Potts write:—

"The market has shown no improvement since we last wrote; the business transacted has been confined to narrow limits, and quotations for most stocks are unchanged."

Banks—Hongkong and Shanghai Bank remains quiet, and there is no change in the market. The London quotation has dropped to £22 10/8. Nationals are neglected at 87.

Marine Insurance—Unions keep firm, and are still quoted for at \$342 1/2. China Traders are steady with sales at \$52 and \$53. Canton and Yangtze are offering at \$155 and \$130 respectively.

Fire Insurance—Hongkong Fire has been negotiated at \$365. China Fires are unaltered, and can still be placed at \$26 1/2.

Shipping—Hongkong and Mexico Steamers have been quoted at \$26. Indo-China has been the medium of a fair business at \$145. Douglas Steamships are quiet at \$47. China and Manila are to be had at \$61 after sales at \$62. Star Ferries are unchanged, and are procurable at \$24 for the old, and \$25 for the new issue. Shell Transports are easier, and can be obtained at \$2 17/8.

Refineries—China Sugars have improved and have been fixed at \$153, but the market closes quiet and shares are on offer at \$152. Lazars are wanted at \$26.

Mining—Banks have been disposed of at \$5, at which rate more shares can be placed. Butts have further declined, and can be bought at \$19. Jelichs have sellers at \$41. Charbonnages have jumped to \$375 buyers.

Docks, Wharves and Godowns—Hongkong and Whampoa Dock have been placed at \$257 1/2 and \$290, and have further sellers at the latter figure. Kowloon Wharves are in the market at \$34. New Amoy Docks are required for \$20.

Land, Hotels and Buildings—Hongkong Lands have been sold and have further sellers at \$165. Hongkong Hotels are obtainable at \$138. Orient Hotels are in demand, but no shares are to be had even at \$57. Humphreys' Estate have been bought at \$14. China Providents have again been dealt in at \$97.

Cotton Mills—Evers are reported sold in Shanghai at \$14. Hongkong Cottons have been parted with at \$133.

Cigar Companies—Phillips Tobacco has found buyers at \$52.

Miscellaneous—Green Island Cement has changed hands at \$22 and \$21 1/2. A. S. Watsons have been dealt in at \$153. Electric are obtainable at quotations. Tramways are asked for at \$200. The Company will pay a dividend of \$16. Manila Investments are obtainable at \$45. Sales of William Powells at \$94 have been effected.

HAD A GOOD TIME.

THE CHINESE COURT.

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CORRESPONDENCE.

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

To the Editor of the "CHINA MAIL."

Hongkong, 21st December, 1901.

SIR,—As a convenient means of enabling me to communicate to the members of the Hongkong Jockey Club the contents of a letter I addressed to the Stewards of the Club on Monday last, the 18th inst., I beg to send you enclosed a copy of that letter, which I would ask you to kindly publish in the columns of your next issue.

My excuse for troubling you is that I think the subject of my letter of sufficient interest to Members of the Hongkong Jockey Club and others who take an interest in racing matters to warrant my publishing it.

I may add that, up to the time of writing this, my letter remains wholly unacknowledged.

Thanking you in anticipation, I beg to remain, Sir, yours faithfully,

GODFREY C. C. MASTER.

(Copy.)

Hongkong, 19th December, 1901.

To The Stewards of the Hongkong Jockey Club.

Gentlemen,—On Friday last I heard that a draft programme had been drawn up for the forthcoming Race Meeting, and that of the 10 races per diem included in such programme 7 were to be reserved for waler ponies on each of the first and second days of the meeting and 6 on the third day. That of these 20 races, 10 were to be reserved for waler ponies on each of the first and second days of the meeting, and that each of such three races were also open to Shanghai subscription ponies; further, that in two of such three races the weight for inch scale was to be only 3 lbs. per inch (fracture of an inch), the remaining eight being a handicap.

Subsequent enquiries made of two of your number confirmed what I had heard.

I would ask you, gentlemen, before publishing the programme, to ask yourselves if you are not, in so doing, treating owners of Hongkong subscription ponies of last season with a great want of consideration, and whether this want of consideration is not likely to prove very detrimental to racing in the future in Hongkong by holding out to owners no inducement to keep over for the next year's race meeting ponies which have shown fair form. Surely owners of last year's subscription ponies who have kept them for many months at considerable expense are entitled to be able to enter their ponies in more than one race per diem, and to have to always meet the pick of the Shanghai subscription griffins, which, I believe, originally numbered from 70 to 80, 41 of which were entered and whose height ranges up to 15 hands.

Again, as to the conditions of weight for such races, you propose an allowance of only 3 lbs. per inch for inch scale in force in India and the Malay Peninsula, viz., 3 lbs. for each quarter of an inch, and you are also aware of the unanimous decision arrived at by the members of a year's subscription ponies (to which, I presume, you attach some weight) viz., that to bring waler ponies of different heights together, the scale should be 2 lbs. per inch. That decision as regards the weight for inches to bring waler ponies of different heights together must, I submit, surely apply with equal force to all waler ponies whether imported this year or last year or any year until it has been found to be an incorrect scale, and that another should be adopted, which will, I submit, be a question to be discussed by you with the owners of ponies.

If you, gentlemen, many of whom were present at the meeting of subscribers at which the decision I have alluded to was arrived at, intended that the 2 lbs. per quarter inch scale should not apply to last year's ponies, why could you not then have so informed the meeting and dispelled the general impression that the 2 lbs. per quarter inch scale was intended to be applied and would be applied to next race meeting generally, instead of making no mention of the matter and still rowing the water?

I have enquired of several of the members who were present at such meeting of subscribers, and one and all say that they most certainly understood that the scale according to the decision then arrived at would be applied throughout next meeting to all waler ponies.

Surely it must be apparent to you that a penalty of only 3 lbs. per inch must give an undue advantage to animals ranging from 14.3 to perhaps 15 1/2 over ponies of 14.2 and under. So far as the scale itself goes, it is unknown to me, but I would allow a scale of 14 hands only, say the 14 hands pony carry 10.7 the 15 1/2 hands horse would carry 11.5, quite insufficient, I submit, to bring them together, assuming both were fair specimens of their class.

Last year, before you adhere to the programme you have drawn up, to give the owners of ponies an opportunity of meeting you and discussing the question. In order to meet the question for the next meeting I venture to make the following suggestions:—That of the two first days of the meeting for waler ponies, five be reserved exclusively for Hongkong Waler Ponies of this season. Of the remaining two, one to be reserved for Hongkong Waler ponies of this and last season at the 2 lbs. per quarter inch scale, and the other to be reserved exclusively for Shanghai ponies of this season receiving an allowance of 5 lbs. winners at the meeting to carry a penalty.

That the other race should be open to Hongkong and Shanghai subscription ponies of any season, ponies of this season receiving an allowance of 5 lbs., and if you are determined to try an experiment in the weight for inch scale at 3 lbs. per inch, you can do so in this race.

Owners of Hongkong subscription ponies of last season can, by such suggestions, be adopted, select one or other of such two races in which to run their ponies or run them in both, whilst owners of Shanghai griffins can have no cause to grumble since in Shanghai the weight for inch scale was 4 lbs. per inch; also, such a programme could not be reasonably objected to by any owner of a subscription pony of this season, as if my recollection serves me right, nothing was said as to six races per diem being reserved exclusively for such subscription ponies. Five were, I think, mentioned, and in order to procure good fields will scarcely warrant more than five races being so exclusively reserved, to which would be added the option of entering in two other races with an allowance.

On the third day, one race can be left in the previous days, be confined to Hongkong Subscription ponies of this and last season and the handicap be open to Shanghai and Hongkong Subscription ponies (of any season), the handicap to be published in the weighing room after the second day's racing and to appear in the evening paper.—I am, gentlemen, Yours faithfully,

(Sd) GODFREY C. C. MASTER.

To-day's Advertisements

NOTICE.

CITY HALL.

THE ANNUAL MEETING of Shareholders in and Subscribers to the CITY HALL will be held in the City Hall on MONDAY, the 23rd Instant, at 4 p.m.

By Order.

F. B. L. BOWLEY, Secretary.

Hongkong, December 21, 1901. 2616

RELIOS PUBLIC SCHOOL.

THIS SCHOOL will close on TO-DAY till MONDAY, JANUARY 6th, for the XMAS HOLIDAYS.

Hongkong, December 19, 1901. 2620

USED TENNIS BALLS.

THE WIGWAM CLUB having a surplus of USED TENNIS BALLS, in fair condition, is willing to sell same at \$2.50 per dozen, on application to the undersigned.

F. R. SMITH, Care of P. & S. N. Co. Hongkong, December 21, 1901. 2618

WILLIAM POWELL, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

AN INTERIM DIVIDEND of an account of the year 1901-1902, at the rate of Fifty Cents per Share (or Five per cent. on the Capital of the Company) will be payable at the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, Hongkong, on and after the 27th JANUARY next. Dividend Warrants will be posted to Shareholders.

The Register of Shares and Transfer BOOKS will be closed from SATURDAY, 28th December, until MONDAY, 6th January, both days inclusive, during which period no Transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors.

R. G. HECKFORD, Manager.

Hongkong, December 21, 1901. 2617

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONGKONG.

IN BANKRUPTCY.

Notice of Adjudication and Appointment of Trustee.

No. 13 of 1901.

WONG SUI WAH alias WONG HOK LAU and LI SZE CHEONG, lately carrying on business in Co-partnership with MAK QUAN HING, under the name or style of WAU FUNG WING LEE, as Rat Dealers, at No. 4, Pottinger Street, Victoria, Hongkong.

THE above named WONG SUI WAH alias WONG HOK LAU and LI SZE CHEONG were adjudged Bankrupts on the 18th day of December, 1901, and the Official Receiver MR GEORGE HERBERT WAKEMAN was appointed Trustee of the Debtors' Estate.

Dated this 21st day of December, 1901.

G. H. WAKEMAN, Official Receiver & Trustee.

FOR CHINGKIANG (DIRECT).

THE Steamship QUARTA.

Captain JOHANNSEN, will be despatched for the above Ports on MONDAY, the 23rd December, at 3 p.m.

For Freight apply to

SIEMSEN & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, December 21, 1901. 2613

FOR NAGASAKI & WLAJWOSTOCK.

THE Steamship DAPHNE.

Captain SCHRIER, will be despatched for the above Ports on TUESDAY, the 24th Inst., at 5 p.m.

This Steamer has superior Accommodation for First class Passengers.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

SIEMSEN & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, December 21, 1901. 2611

THE CHINA AND MANILA STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR MANILA (DIRECT).

THE Company's Steamship ESMERALDA.

Captain R. ROSE, will be despatched for the above Port on FRIDAY, the 27th Inst. at Noon.

This Steamer has Superior Accommodation for Passengers and is fitted with the Electric Light.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

SHEWAN, TOMES & Co., General Managers.

Hongkong, December 21, 1901. 2614

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S STEAMER BENGAL.

FROM BOMBAY, COLOMBO AND STRAITS.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above-named Vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out Mark by Mark, and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

This vessel brings on Cargo:—From London, &c. ex s.s. Rome and Australia.

From Calcutta, ex s.s. Masilia.

From Port of Call, ex s.s. B.I.S.N. and B. and P.S.N. Co's Steamers.

Optional goods will be landed here unless instructions are given to the contrary before 8 a.m. to-morrow.

Goods not cleared by the 28th inst., at 4 p.m., will be subject to rent.

No fire insurance will be effected by me in any case whatever.

All Damaged Packages must be left in the Godowns, and a certificate of the damage obtained from the Godown Company within 48 days after the vessel's arrival here, after which no Claims will be recognized.

E. A. HEWITT, Superintendent.

Hongkong, December 21, 1901. 2672

GREAT CLEARANCE SALE.

SPLENDID OPPORTUNITY FOR PURCHASING CHRISTMAS PRESENTS.

WATCHES, JEWELLERY, DIAMONDS, OPALS AND OTHER PRECIOUS STONES.

To the Aggregate Value of about \$40,000, are now being offered for

PRIVATE SALE

within our AUCTION SALES ROOMS, being the lot-tee of a consignment intended for the Philippine Market, part of which was sold here by Public Auction, on SATURDAY, the 14th Instant.

An Inspection is invited—what remains.

MUST BE SOLD.

And the prices are marked down to the lowest possible figures.

SPECIAL ATTENTION

Is called to the magnificent Collection of unset BRAZILIAN WHITE, BLUE and INDIAN DIAMONDS, QUEENSLAND and HUNGARIAN OPALS.

On View between the hours of 11 a.m. and 4 p.m. daily.

HUGHES & HOUGH, Auctioneers.

Hongkong, December 15, 1901. 2678

To-day's Advertisements

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to Sell by Public Auction, For Account of the Concerned, on

TUESDAY,

the 24th December, 1901, at Noon, at their Sales Rooms, 20, Des Voeux Road,—

5 AMERICAN AND 2 ENGLISH LADIES' AND GENTS' BICYCLES.

TERMS—As usual.

HUGHES & HOUGH, Auctioneers.

Hongkong, December 21, 1901. 2619

XMAS AND NEW YEAR HOLIDAYS.

THE Undersigned will be CLOSED for the Transaction of Public Business on WEDNESDAY and THURSDAY, the 25th and 26th Instant, and on WEDNESDAY and THURSDAY, the 1st and 2nd January, 1902.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Agents, Canton Insurance Office, Ltd., and General Managers, Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd. For the Union Insurance Society of Canton, Ltd., W. J. SAUNDERS, Secretary.

For the North China Insurance Co., Ltd., W. H. PERCIVAL, Agent.

For the China Traders' Insurance Co., Ltd., W. H. RAY, Secretary.

For the Yangtze Insurance Association, Ltd., SHEWAN, TOMES & Co., Agents.

For the China Fire Insurance Co., Ltd., G. B. HOLMIST, Secretary.

Hongkong, December 21, 1901. 2621

CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR HOLIDAYS.

IN Accordance with the provisions of Ordinance No. 6 of 1875, the Undermentioned BANKS will be CLOSED for the Transaction of Public Business, on WEDNESDAY and THURSDAY, the 25th and 26th Instant, and on WEDNESDAY and THURSDAY, the 1st and 2nd January, 1902.

For the Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China.

T. P. COCHRAN, Acting Manager, Hongkong.

For the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation.

T. JACKSON, Chief Manager.

For the National Bank of China, Limited, G. B. W. F. PLAYFAIR, Chief Manager.

For the Mercantile Bank of India, Limited, JOHN THURBURN, Manager, Hongkong.

For the Banque de l'Indo-Chine, Hongkong Agency, L. BEERENDAGUE, Acting Manager.

For the Bank of China and Japan, Ltd., Hongkong, J. W. R. TAYLOR, Manager.

For the Yokohama Specie Bank, Ltd., T. A. HODSDON, Manager.

For the Imperial Bank of China, E. W. BUTTER, Manager.

For the Deutsch-Asiatische Bank, H. SCHOTTLANDER, Acting Manager.

Hongkong, Dec. 21, 1901. 2622

STEAM FOR STRAITS, CEYLON, AUSTRALIA, INDIA, ADEEN, EGYPT, MEDITERRANEAN PORTS, PLYMOUTH AND LONDON.

Through Bills of Lading issued for BATA VIA, FERRAN GULF, CONTINENTAL AND AMERICAN PORTS.

THE Steamship VALETTA. Captain A. G. CURRI, R.N.R., carrying His Majesty's Mails, will be despatched from this Port for BOMBAY, on SATURDAY, the 4th January, at Noon, taking Passengers and Cargo for the above Ports.

Silk and Valuable, all Cargo for France, and Tea for London (under arrangement) will be transhipped at Colombo into a steamer proceeding direct to Marseilles and London, either cargo for London, &c., will be conveyed direct Bombay without Transhipment.

Parcels will be received at this Office until 4 p.m. the day before sailing. The contents and value of all packages are required.

Shippers are particularly requested to note the terms and conditions of the Company's Bills of Lading.

For further Particulars, apply to

E. A. HEWITT, Superintendent.

P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office, Hongkong, December 21, 1901. 2610

EYE SIGHT.

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OCULISTS' OPTICIAN

LONDON, CALCUTTA,

AND

16 Queen's Road Central

HONGKONG.

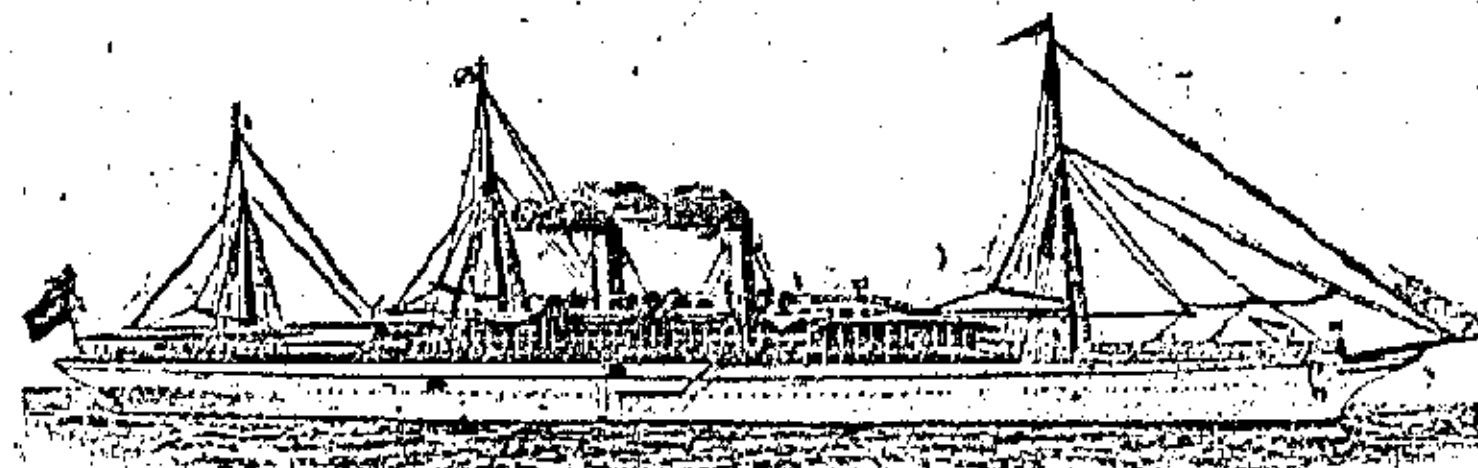
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Undermentioned Local Residents

Are a few amongst the thousands who have expressed their complete satisfaction with Glasses specially made by Mr LAZARUS:—

Abdulla, C. Lossius, Capt. J. J. Anderson, O. M. Macdonald, Lt. J. B. Arnold, H. McIsaac, Capt. S. Barnett, Mrs. (Misses) Mills, C. B. (Dappa) Bristle, A. J. (Misses) Minchin, J. D. Blason, C. H. Mungford, R. H. Horwade, J. F. Nam Luk Hing, Clear, C. O. Osborne, J. W. Cocker, Capt. T. G. Pacheco, A. A. Coster, G. Vallios (Macao), Kureum, V. Playfair, G. W. F. De Cunha, Chas. J. C. Polard, Wm. Dady Burjor, D. S. Poo Chun, David, A. S. Price, H. Davidson, N. K. Raymond, Mrs. R. De Britto, J. L. Razack, M. A. De Silva, J. D. (Cotton) Rotnara, F. M. Ellis, J

Shipping.

CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY COMPANY'S
ROYAL MAIL STEAMSHIP LINE.

THE FAST ROUTE BETWEEN CHINA, JAPAN AND EUROPE,
VIA CANADA AND THE UNITED STATES.
(Calling at SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA AND VICTORIA, E.C.)
SAFETY—SPEED—PUNCTUALITY.

Twin Screw Steamships—4,000 Tons—10,000 Horse power—Speed 19 knots.
Sailing 3 to 7 Days across the Pacific.

Proposed Sailings from Hongkong.
(Subject to Alteration.)

EMPRESS OF CHINA, Comdr. R. ARCHIBALD, R.N.R., WEDNESDAY, 15th Jan./1902
TARTAR, 4,425 Tons, Comdr. E. BELTHAM, R.N.R., WEDNESDAY, 29th Jan./1902
EMPRESS OF INDIA, Comdr. O. F. MARSHALL, R.N.R., WEDNESDAY, 12th Feb./1902
ATHLETIC, 3,882 Tons, Comdr. H. MOWAT, WEDNESDAY, 26th Feb./1902
EMPRESS OF JAPAN, Comdr. H. PYSER, R.N.R., WEDNESDAY, 12th Mar./1902

THE magnificent TWIN-SCREW STEAMSHIPS of this Line pass through the famous
ISLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and usually make the voyage YOKOHAMA TO
VANCOUVER (B.C.) in 12 DAYS, saving THREE DAYS to a WEEK in the
Trans-Pacific journey, and make connection at Vancouver with the
PALATIAL OVERLAND TRAINS of the CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY,
which leave daily, and cross the Continent from the PACIFIC TO THE
ATLANTIC WITHOUT CHANGE. Close connection is made at Montreal,
Quebec, Halifax, New York and Boston with all Trans-Atlantic Lines, of which
passengers to Great Britain and the Continent are given choice of.

Passengers booked through to all principal ports and AROUND THE WORLD.
Return tickets to various points at reduced rates. Coal for 4, 6, 9 and 12 months.
SPECIAL BATES (first class only) granted to Missionaries, Members of the Naval,
Military, Diplomatic and Civil Services, and to European Officers in the Service of
China and Japan Governments.

The attractive features of this Company's route embrace its PALATIAL
STEAMSHIPS, (second to none in the World), the LUXURANCE OF ITS
TRANS-CONTINENTAL TRAINS (the Company having received the highest award
for same at recent Chicago World's Exhibition) and the diversity of MAGNIFICENT
MOUNTAIN AND LAKE SCENERY through which the Railway passes.

THE DINING CARS AND MOUNTAIN HOTELS of this route are owned and
operated by the Company, and their appointments and cuisine are unequalled.

* Special Extra Service.

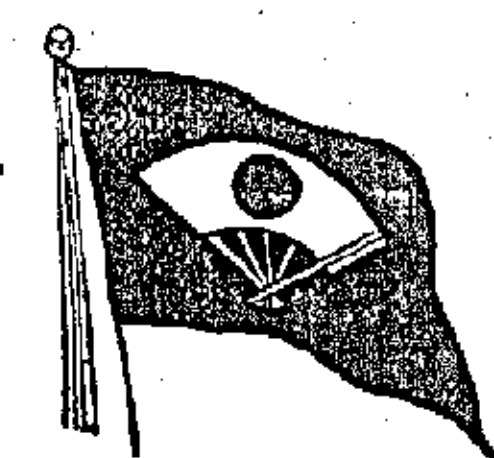
The Company's Extra Steamships "ATHLETIC" and "TARTAR" have now been
placed on the Line between CHINA AND JAPAN PORTS AND VANCOUVER, as
additional sailings.

In addition to the excellent First Saloon Passenger accommodation, the
"ATHLETIC" takes 2nd Cabin Passengers with accommodation unequalled on the Pacific,
and also Storage. The "TARTAR" takes First Class and Storage Passengers only.
The run is usually made between YOKOHAMA AND VANCOUVER in 14 Days.

For further information, Maps, Guides, Books, Rates of Freight and Passage,
apply to

Hongkong, December 19, 1901.

D. E. BROWN, General Agent,
PRINCE STREET, 1112

TOYO KISEN KAISHA
(Oriental S. S. Co.)

INAUGURATION OF REGULAR SERVICE BETWEEN
HONGKONG AND MANILA.

THE Company's Well-known Steamship

ROSETTA MARU,

Captain TATE, having been placed on the above service, will be despatched hence
for MANILA, on TUESDAY, the 24th December, at Noon.

Magnificent Accommodation. Excellent Table. Comfortable Cabins. Unrivaled
Speed. Electric Light.

For Freight and Passage, apply to

MITSUI BUSSAN KAISHA,

AGENTS.

Hongkong, December 18, 1901.

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE.
NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

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(Taking Cargo at through-rates to ANTWERP, AMSTERDAM, ROTTERDAM, COPENHAGEN,
LONDON, OBERLIN, LIVERPOOL, GLASGOW, BREMEN, GIBRA, PORTS in the
LEVANT: BLACK SEA AND BALTIC PORTS; NORTH AND SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS.)

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

FOR HAVRE AND HAMBURG.

CALLING AT SINGAPORE AND COLOMBO.

S.S. *Servia*, Capt. BREMER, 24th December, Freight.
FOR HAVRE, BREMEN, ROTTERDAM AND HAMBURG.
CALLING AT SINGAPORE AND PENANG.

S.S. *Nürnberg*, Capt. AMON, 4th January, 1902, Freight.
FOR HAVRE, ROTTERDAM AND HAMBURG.
CALLING AT SINGAPORE AND COLOMBO.

S.S. *Strasbourg*, Capt. MADSEN, 13th January, 1902, Freight.
FOR HAVRE, BREMEN AND HAMBURG.
CALLING AT SINGAPORE AND PENANG.

S.S. *Sambia*, Capt. SCHMIDT, 26th January, 1902, Freight.
FOR HAVRE AND HAMBURG.
CALLING AT SINGAPORE AND COLOMBO.

S.S. *Andria*, Capt. DUCKSTEIN, 12th February, 1902, Freight.
For further particulars, apply to

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE,

HONGKONG OFFICE

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Queen's Buildings, No. 1.

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.
(THE JAPAN MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.)

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

Steamers.	Destinations.	Sailing Dates.
KAWACHI MARU, J. S. THOMSON,	KOBE & YOKOHAMA.	TUESDAY, 24th Dec., at Daylight.
KUMANO MARU, E. W. HASWELL,	SYDNEY & MELBOURNE, Via MANILA, THURSDAY ISLAND, TOWNSVILLE AND BRISBANE.	THURSDAY, 2nd Jan., at 4 p.m.
WAKASA MARU, J. A. MACMILLAN,	MARSEILLES, LONDON AND ANTWERP, Via SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO & PORT SAID.	FRIDAY, 27th Dec., at Daylight.
IYO MARU,	VICTORIA, B.C. AND SEATTLE U.S.A., Via SHANGHAI, MOJI KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.	MONDAY, 30th Dec., at 4 p.m.

Through Passenger Tickets and Bills of Lading issued for the Principal Cities in
the United States, Canada and Europe, in connection with the GREAT NORTHERN RAIL-
WAY and ATLANTIC STEAMERS.

For further information as to Freight, Passage, Sailings, Etc., apply at the Com-
pany's local Branch Office at Prince's Building, 1st Floor, Chater Road.

Hongkong, December 21, 1901.

A. S. Mihara, Manager.

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Shipping.

IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE
NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE.

STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID,
NAPLES, GENOA, ANTWERP, BREMEN/HAMBURG;
PORTS IN THE LEVANT, BLACK SEA AND BALTIC PORTS; Also
LONDON, NEW YORK, BOSTON, BALTIMORE, NEW ORLEANS, GALVESTON
AND SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS.

STEAMERS WILL CALL AT SOUTHAMPTON TO LAND PASSENGERS AND LUGGAGE.
N.B.—CARGO CAN BE TAKEN ON THROUGH BILLS OF LADING FOR THE PRINCIPAL PLACES
IN RUSSIA.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

Steamers.	Sailing Dates.
KONIG ALBERT	WEDNESDAY, 25th December.
PRINZESS IRENE	WEDNESDAY, 8th Jan. 1902.
PRINZ HEINRICH	WEDNESDAY, 22nd January.
PREUSSEN	WEDNESDAY, 5th February.
HAMBURG	WEDNESDAY, 19th February.
SACHSEN	WEDNESDAY, 5th March.
KLAUSCHOU	WEDNESDAY, 19th March.
BAYERN	WEDNESDAY, 2nd April.
STUTTGART	WEDNESDAY, 16th April.
KONIG ALBERT	WEDNESDAY, 30th April.
PRINZESS IRENE	WEDNESDAY, 14th May.
PRINZ HEINRICH	WEDNESDAY, 28th May.
PREUSSEN	WEDNESDAY, 11th June.
HAMBURG	WEDNESDAY, 25th June.

* Steamers of the Hamburg Amerika Line.

ON WEDNESDAY, the 25th day of December, 1901, at 4 p.m., the Steamship
"KONIG ALBERT" of the Norddeutscher Lloyd, Captain C. BOLACK, with
MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE, and CARGO, will leave this Port as above,
Calling at NAPLES and GENOA.
Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon, on Monday, the 23rd December, Cargo
and Specie will be received on Board until 5 p.m. on Tuesday, the 24th December, and
Parcels will be received at the Agency's Office until Noon on Tuesday, the 24th December.
Contents of Packages are required. No Parcel Receipts will be signed for less than
\$2.50 and Parcels should not exceed Two Feet Cubic in Measurement.
The Steamer has splendid accommodation and carries a Doctor and Stewards.
Linen can be washed on board.

Norddeutscher Lloyd.

For further Particulars, apply to

Melchers & Co., Agents.

NORTHERN PACIFIC STEAMSHIP CO.

Proposed Sailings from Hongkong.

Via Shanghai, Inland Sea of Japan, Kobe and Yokohama.

FOR VICTORIA, B.C., AND TACOMA

IN CONNECTION WITH

NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAY CO.

Steamer.	Tons.	Captain.	Proposed Sailing.
Victoria	3502	J. Patton	December 27
Olympic	2837	J. Truebridge	Jan. 11, 1902
Glasgow	3750	F. Frakes	Feb. 7, 1902

THE attention of passengers is directed to the very cheap rates offered by this Line to
the PACIFIC COAST and to the INTERIOR AND EASTERN CITIES of the
UNITED STATES and to EUROPE.

HONGKONG TO LONDON, £52.

Excellent accommodation. First class Table. Doctor and STEWARDNESS carried.
Passengers to EUROPE may proceed by one of the First-Class ATLANTIC MAIL
LINES.

HONGKONG TO NEW YORK, £48.

The Railroad travelling is second to none on the American Continent; two trans-
continental trains daily from TACOMA. DINING CAR is attached to trans-continental trains
day and night; TACOMA to NEW YORK in 44 days. Magnificent Scenery of the Rocky
and Cascade Mountains. THE YELLOWSTONE NATIONAL PARK route.

HONGKONG TO VICTORIA, TACOMA, £35.

The best route to the Klamath Gold Fields. Frequent Sailings from Victoria,
Tacoma to DYER and ST. MICHAEL.

Rates of Passage to other points on application.
Special rates allowed to members of Government Services.

For further information as to Passage or Freight, apply to

Doddwell & Co., Limited, General Agents.

Hongkong, December 21, 1901.

CHINA NAVIGATION CO.,
LIMITED.

FOR	STEAMER	TO SAIL
SHANGHAI	WHAMPOA	23rd December.
MANILA	SUNGLING	28th December.

* The attention of Passengers is directed to the Superior Accommodation offered
by these Steamers, which are fitted throughout with Electric Light. A duly qualified
Surgeon is carried.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,

Hongkong, December 21, 1901.

AGENTS.

OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

FOR	STEAMER	LEAVING
TAMUJI, VIA SWATOW AND AMOY.	DAIJI MARU.	SUNDAY, 23rd December.
ANPING, VIA SWATOW AND AMOY.	MAIZUJI MARU.	WEDNESDAY, 25th December.
TAMUJI, VIA SWATOW AND AMOY.	DAIJI MARU.	SUNDAY, 29th December.
FOOCHOW, VIA SWATOW AND AMOY.	ANPING MARU.	WEDNESDAY, 1st January, 1902.

The Co.'s new Steamers are specially designed for the coast trade of South
China and Formosa, and are fitted with all modern improvements. Excellent accom-
modation is provided for 1st class passengers, and a duly qualified Doctor is carried.
All Steamers carry the Imperial Japanese Mails, subject to periodical inspection
by the Government Marine Surveyors, and are registered the highest class at Lloyd's.
Steamers will go alongside the Co.'s Piers at the Customs' water-front premises
at Tamui to land all passengers and cargo.

OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA.

For Freight, Passage and further information apply to

The MITSUI BUSSAN KAISHA.

Hongkong, December 19, 1901.

AGENTS.

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY

FROM	STEAMER	DATE
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	STENTON	24th December.
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	MEINON	3rd January, 1902.
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	ROMANUS	8th January, 1902.
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	TANTALUS	18th January, 1902.
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	AXAX	22nd January, 1902.
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	PERICLES	31st January, 1902.

FOR	STEAMER	TO SAIL
LONDON	GLAUCUS	24th December.
LONDON	DEUCALION	7th January, 1902.
LIVERPOOL DIRECT	PERICLES	20th January, 1902.
(Taking Cargo at LONDON Rates)	PERICLES	21st January, 1902.
LONDON	STENTON	4th February, 1902.
LIVERPOOL DIRECT	TANTALUS	15th February, 1902.
(Taking Cargo at LONDON Rates)	TANTALUS	16th February, 1902.
LONDON	AXAX	18th February, 1902.
LONDON	ROMANUS	4th March, 1902.

For Freight, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,

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Agents, O. S. S. Co.

Shipping.

PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL STEAMSHIP
NAVIGATION COMPANY

WILL dispatch VESSELS to the Undermentioned PORTS on the DATES
indicated—
FOR STEAMSHIP CAPTAIN DATE

LONDON VIA SHAI, MOJI & KOBE, Shanghai, E. SPIER, R.N.R., Noon, 25th Dec.
SHANGHAI, Coromandel, F. W. VIDYER, R.N.R., About 26th Jan.

PASSENGER SEASON 1902.

MARSEILLES, PLYMOUTH AND LON- DON Direct without Transhipment, 3284 Tons, 29th March.
Malta, 6064, 12th April.

* See Special Advertisement.

For Freight or Passage, and further Particulars, apply to

P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office, Hongkong, December 21, 1901.

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DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW.

THE Company's Steamship HAITAN,

Captain BOACH, will be despatched for the above Ports on SUNDAY, the 22nd Dec., at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LARPAK & Co., General Managers.

Hongkong, December 20, 1901. 2603

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR MANILA.

THE Company's Steamship MOONGSANG,

Captain WIGGILL, will be despatched for the above Ports on MONDAY, the 23rd Inst., at 3 p.m.

This steamer has superior Accommodation for First-class Passengers, is fitted throughout with Electric Light, and carries a Doctor.

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